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Coastal Resources Commission to Meet Feb. 11-12 in Morehead City

RALEIGH — The N.C. Coastal Resources Commission will hear from several local experts on the issue of terminal groins at their next meeting, Feb. 11-12, at the Crystal Coast Civic Center in Morehead City. The meeting is open to the public.

At 1 p.m. Feb. 11, the speakers will present information regarding the use of terminal groins as a means of oceanfront erosion control. The presentations will be followed by a panel discussion. Speakers include Dr. Robert Dean, University of Florida; Dr. Paul Gayes, Coastal Carolina University; Dr. Stanley Riggs, East Carolina University; Dr. William Cleary, UNC-Wilmington; and Steve Benton, Coastal Resources Commission's Science Panel on Coastal Hazards.

The following items are also on the CRC's agenda:

- **Land Use Plan Amendments** (8:30 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 12) – Commissioners will consider certification of Land Use Plan Amendments for Emerald Isle and Manteo.
- **Inlet Hazard Area Recommendations** (1:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 12) – The CRC's Science Panel chair will provide an update on the panel's Inlet Hazard Area recommendations, and Division of Coastal Management staff will discuss proposed development policies for these areas.
- **Summary of Beach and Inlet Management Plan Public Meetings** (1:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 12) – Coastal Management staff will present a summary of the Beach and Inlet Management Plan public meetings held in December.
- **Public Input and Comment** (12 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 12) – Members of the public may comment on coastal issues not already on the commission's agenda for this meeting.
- **Variance Requests** (9:30 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 12) – The Commission will hear requests for variances from their coastal development rules.
- **Public Hearings** (5 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 11) – The CRC will hear public comments on the following proposed rule amendments:
 - 15A NCAC 7H .0308(a)(2) Temporary Erosion Control Structures
 - 15A NCAC 7H .1100 General Permit for the Construction of Bulkheads and the Placement of Riprap for Shoreline Protection in Estuarine and Public Trust Waters and Ocean Hazard Areas
 - 15A NCAC 7H .1200 General Permit for the Construction of Piers: Docks: and Boat Houses in Estuarine and Public Trust Waters and Ocean Hazard Areas

The Coastal Resources Advisory Council, a group that provides the CRC with local government perspectives and technical advice, will meet at 11 a.m. Feb. 11 at the Crystal Coast Civic Center.

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